

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
Code of Rhode Island Rules

DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE QUALITY, FINANCING AND PURCHASING  
GENERAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**Section 0699**  
**GPA MEDICAL COVERAGE**  
*GPA PROVIDER REFERENCE MANUAL*  
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**General Public Assistance *Provider Reference Manual*: Preamble – 0699.001.**

The RI General Public Assistance Program (GPA) established the *GPA Provider Reference Manual* (PRM) to centralize information health coverage and payment policies and procedures for providers participating . The PRM was last published in 1996 and has been updated on an as needed basis, through amendments and supplements, at regular intervals since then.

**Duty to Comply – 0699.002.** All current and prospective GPA providers are bound to follow the applicable policies and procedures governing participation, covered services and payment set forth in the *GPA Provider Reference Manual* (1996).

**Maintenance and Distribution – 0699.003.** The Department of Human Services (DHS), or contractual agents acting on DHS's behalf, are responsible for distributing and maintaining the *GPA Provider Reference Manual* and ensuring that participating providers receive timely notice of changes in policies or procedures necessitated by State laws and regulations.

**Access and Availability – 0699.004.** Copies of the *Provider Reference Manuals* may be obtained, upon request, by contacting DHS's fiscal agent by telephone (401-784-3829) or the Center for Adult Health in writing (600 New London Avenue, Cranston, Rhode Island, 02920). On-site inspection and review of the PRMs is available, by appointment, at the DHS Office of Policy Analysis, Research and Development, Louis Pasteur Building -- #57, John O. Pastore Complex, Cranston, RI 02920. Call 401-462-2018 to make an appointment during business hours from 8:30am -- 4:00pm.